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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a residential consumer who supports broadband competition. I chose a competitive provider (Sonic) because I want to allow local businesses to succeed and I strongly believe that competition is necessary for a successful marketplace. Limiting competition to two providers will cause price hikes that will increase the cost of the internet and telephone services. Please do not allow big telecom companies to limit our competitive providers!

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